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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2007, Applicant requests reconsideration of the claims in the above-identified application in view of the attached Declaration Under Rule 132 and the comments made below.

Claims 1-44 are pending with claims 1, 12 and 44 being independent claims.

Item 1 of the Office Action rejects claims 1-4, 7, 12-14, 17 and 22-44 under 35 USC §103(a) over U.S. Patent 5,325,765 to Sylvan in view of PCT Publication WO 91/14389 to Frise. Item 2 of the Office Action rejects claims 3, 5, 6, 9-11, 15, 16, 19-21 and 32 under 35 USC §103(a) over Sylvan in view of Frise and further in view of U.S. Patent 3,971,305 to Daswick. Item 3 of the Office Action rejects claims 8 and 18 under 35 USC §103(a) over Sylvan in view of Frise and further in view of U.S. Patent 3,389,650 to Michielsen. These rejections are respectfully traversed.